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GENERAL AND REVENUE SECRETARIAT.

Serial Nos.

Part B for November 1919

SUBJECT.

Revision of rules re advances to officers for the purchase of Motor-cars.

No change in the existing rules is necessary.
Initd. H. R. W. (10/5. 11. 1919)

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FILE HEADING.

Revision of rules re advances to officers for the purchase of Motor-cars etc.

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BRIEF ABSTRACT OF LETTER.

NOTES AND ORDERS.

1. The system of granting these advances was introduced in the year 1908 with a view to enable touring officers to provide themselves with motor conveyances. At first the advances were granted only for the purchase of motor cars and were subject to a maximum limit of Rs.4,500 recoverable in not ~~less~~

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more than 12 monthly instalments. Also, not more than one advance was admissible to an officer. As experience was gained in the working of the system it was found that some of the conditions pressed hard on those taking the advances and more liberal and reasonable terms were introduced from time to time. Thus advances for the purchase of motor cycles were included in the system, the period of recovery was extended to 36 months, the maximum limit of the advance was raised to Rs. 5,000 and second advances were made admissible.

2. As the rules now stand, the position with regard to these advances is as follows:--

(1) Advances for the purchase of motor cars and bicycles are admissible to touring as well as certain special officers;

(2) They are granted only when the Government consider that the grant is in the interest of the public service;

(3) They are recoverable in not more than 36 monthly instalments;

(4) Second advances carrying interest at 6¼ per cent are admissible;

(5) In the case of a Car the advance should not exceed Rs.5,000 or four months salary whichever is less; and

(6) In the case of a motor bicycle it should not exceed

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exceed Rs.1500 or four months salary, whichever is less.

3 These rules are a considerable advance on the rules as they were originally framed, but a modification of some of them will render the facility afforded by them far more real and effective.

4 Under the 4th condition mentioned above, two advances are admissible to an officer, the first being free of interest and the second carrying interest at 6¼ per cent per annum. If two advances are admissible there appears to be no reason why more should not be. An Officer keeps a motor conveyance mostly for use as a public servant. It is impossible to suppose that two motor-cars or cycles will last the entire period of an officer's service. The life of a motor conveyance, especially of the cheaper kind which is what most officers can afford to keep, may be taken at about three years if it is at all in regular use. It is much more satisfactory and economical to replace it by a new one at the end of that period than to repair it. It may be suggested that an officer should create a kind of a sinking fund to meet the cost of such replacement, but then the cost of upkeep and the instalment due on the advance pretty nearly exhaust all his resources. So long as there is not more than one advance outstanding against an officer,

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there seems to be no harm in granting as many advances as he may ask for. He is not likely to ~~abuse~~ abuse the liberty since he will have to pay heavily if he does. Nor does it involve the Government in any risk since they will have a lien on the life insurance premium of the officer concerned. A sum of a lac of rupees set apart for the purpose is likely to meet all demands in this line and it will be earning a handsome return as the bulk of it will be fetching interest at 6¼ per cent per annum.

5 As regards the fifth and sixth conditions, the maximum limit of Rs.5,000 in the case of advances for Motor-cars and Rs.1,500 in the case of bicycles may be raised to Rs.6,000 and Rs.2,000 respectively even if these amounts exceed the salary of the officer concerned for four months, provided they do not exceed the cost of the conveyance purchased. The prices of motor conveyances have risen enormously within recent times and it is not possible to get sound and serviceable cars or bicycles under these amounts.

6 .A draft on these lines is put up for consideration.

3rd member
Dewan

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for favour of his opinion

The question of making more than two advances to the same officer has been already raised & noted on my another file which is still pending.

18/8/16

I agree with emphasising the opn

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MORE THAN TWO ADVANCES.-- I think some limitation is necessary in regard to the number of advances an officer can obtain from Government for purchasing motor conveyances. The grant of as many advances as an officer likes to take is, I consider, liable to abuse and it is also likely to produce the impression that Government is under an obligation to accommodate its officers for purchasing conveyances required for the performance of their duties, throughout their service. Another objection to the proposal to give any number of advances is the encouragement given to the tendency to borrow and be in perpetual debt to Government, After all, an officer has got to provide himself with the conveyance he requires from his own savings and the rules for the grant of Government advances should not have a tendency to withdraw the incentive

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incentive to saving or encourage leaning on Governmen assistance throughout his service. Yet another objec tion is that advances without number will reduce the system to one of mere banking business to be undertake by Government in accommodating its officers throughout their service. To provide himself with the conveyanc necessary for the purpose of his work is obviously the officer's own business. Any advance which Government may give should be regarded only in the nature of some assistance rendered once or twice to a touring officer in equipping himself with the required conveyance. Th Government of India rules allow only one advance; no second or subsequent advance, whether with or without interest, is allowed in British India. I think only one interest free and one interest bearing advance can be allowed to an officer. To give more advances is open to the objections mentioned above.

INCREASING THE MAXIMUM LIMIT FOR CARS AND CYCLES

The maximum may be increased to Rs.6,000/- for Cars, provided, of course, four months' salary of the officer applying for advance is not less than that amount. As regards the maximum in the case of a Cycle, I do not think the limit should be raised to Rs.2,000/-. The Government of India have recently reduced the maximum from Rs.1,500/- to Rs.1,000/-.

GRANT OF MORE THAN FOUR MONTHS' SALARY.-- It is not desirable to give an officer an advance of more than

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than four months' salary. An officer's ability to save has an important bearing upon the debt he should contract and I do not think it advisable to encourage officers taking larger advances than they can conveniently repay within the period of three years prescribed by the rules. An officer has to pay premium on his compulsory insurance policies and if he has agreed to subscribe to the State Provident Fund, he has to save for that purpose also. Some more saving is also necessary for the many unforseen demands which he will be called upon to meet and I think it undesirable to encourage the tendency to take a loan which is larger than is absolutely necessary and which cannot be repaid from savings which he can conveniently make from his monthly pay.

22.8.19

Chief Secy)

3rd member

Hon. Dewan

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In addition to an initial interest-free advance, two interest-bearing advances either for motor car or motor cycle may be given to an officer provided there is an interval of not less than three years between each advance.

2. The advances may be increased to Rs.6,000 in the case of a car and Rs.2,000 in the case of a cycle provided the amount is not more than four months' pay of the officer applying for the advance

3. May be circulated and considered at a meeting of Council.

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I agree to the suggestion of the Dewan.

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GENERAL AND REVENUE SECRETARIAT.

Council Matter.

SUBJECT.

(Under clause xii of the schedule)

Revision of rules re advances to officers for the purchase of motor-cars.

Re-CIRCULATED TO THE MEMBERS OF COUNCIL.

By Order,

C S Balasundaram 8/9

.....6th September.....19.19.

Chief Secretary to Government.

Extraordinary Member of Council. R Rao 8.9.19.

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Extract from the Proceedings of the 506th *Meeting of the Council of His Highness the Maharaja, held at* ~~Bangalore~~ Mysore *on the* 29th September 1919.

2. Subject. - Clause xii of the schedule.

Amendment of the Government order regulating the grant of advances for purchase of motor vehicles.

Opinion of the Council.

No change in the existing rules is necessary.

(Signed) M. Kantaraj Urs,

Dewan of Mysore.

'EXTRACT'

C. Balasundaram

Chief Secretary to Government.

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*23. As soon as circulation is complete and the opinion of the Council is recorded, the file will be forwarded to the Secretary in the Department concerned for transmission if need be to the Financial Secretary under Standing Orders and for submission to the Dewan or Member in charge.

Extract from the Proceedings of the Council is put up.

Forwarded with compliments to the Secretary to Government, Financial Department, under *Rule 23 of the Subsidiary Rules of Council Business.

By Order,

C S Balasubramanyam
Chief Secretary to Government.

please put up D.S.N
mrk
30-9-19

A draft D.S.N is put up.

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Submitted to His Highness.

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Under the existing rules regulating the grant of advances for purchase of motor vehicles, two advances are admissible, the first free of interest and the second bearing interest at 6¼ % (vide Government Order No.Fl.4336-85/G.F.17-17-25 dated 18th February 1918).

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2. In connection with the applications of Messrs. C. S. Balasundaram Iyer, Chief Secretary, and K. Chandy, Revenue Commissioner, for the grant of a third advance for the purchase of motor cars, which were sanctioned subject to the payment of interest at 6¼ % in the special circumstances of those cases, I observed that the amendment of the rules on the subject, if necessary, might be considered.

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3. The Government of India having limited the amount of advance for the purchase of motor cycles to Rs.1,000, the Financial Secretary suggested, and Mr. Banerji, Officiating Dewan, agreed that the maximum laid down in the Mysore rules might be reduced from Rs.1,500 to Rs.1,000.

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4. In his note dated 12th August 1919, Mr.Balasundaram Iyer has proposed certain further concessions by way of (1) giving more than two advances, and (2) raising the maximum limits admissible for the motor cars and cycles from Rs.5,000 and Rs.1,500, to Rs.6,000 and Rs.2,000, respectively, by advancing more than four months' salary when necessary.

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5. The Financial Secretary, however, for the reasons explained in his note dated 22nd August 1919, is not agreeable to the modifications suggested by the Chief Secretary.

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6. When the papers came before me, I noted as follows:-

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"(1) In addition to an initial interest-free advance, two interest-bearing advances, either for motor car or

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motor cycle, may be given to an officer, provided there is an interval of not less than 3 years between each advance.

(2) The advances may be increased to Rs.6,000 in the case of a car and Rs.2,000 in the case of a cycle, provided the amount is not more than 4 months' pay of the officer applying for the advance.

(3) May be circulated and considered at a meeting of Council."

7. The question was considered on 29th September 1919, in a meeting of Council whose opinion is that no change in the existing rules is necessary.

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8. I submit the papers for the gracious perusal of His Highness.

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Record of Cases submitted for the Orders of His Highness the Maharaja.

Subject.

Question of revising the existing rule for the grant of advances to officers for purchasing motor vehicles.

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31. All urgent or confidential files returned with His Highness' orders may, in the absence of instructions or indications to the contrary, be ordinarily circulated to the Members of Council for perusal after the issue of orders.

33. The Secretaries concerned should see that orders in the cases referred to above are issued at once and that the files are returned immediately after to the Chief Secretary for circulation to the Members.

34. In all other cases, the files will first be circulated to the Members of Council at headquarters and then sent to the Secretariat concerned for the issue of orders.

Circulated to the Members of Council for perusal of (*) His Highness' orders before / after issue of orders. (*Vide* Rules 31, 33 and 34 of the Subsidiary Rules for the conduct of business of Council in the Manual of Council Rules and Procedure).

C S Balasundaramayyar
Chief Secretary to Govt.

Through the Secretary to Government,

.....Department.

FIRST MEMBER OF COUNCIL

SECOND MEMBER OF COUNCIL

~~TEMPORARY~~ MEMBER OF COUNCIL.

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